

**SENATE CONCURRENT  
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1           A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION expressing appreciation for  
2           Lieutenant Governor Sue Ellspermann's service to the State of Indiana.

3           *Whereas, Lieutenant Governor Sue Ellspermann was*  
4           *inaugurated as Indiana's 50<sup>th</sup> lieutenant governor on January*  
5           *14, 2013;*

6           *Whereas, In faithfully discharging the duties of her office,*  
7           *Lieutenant Governor Ellspermann serves as President of the*  
8           *Indiana State Senate and as Secretary of Agriculture and Rural*  
9           *Development, and Lieutenant Governor Ellspermann also*  
10          *manages six state agencies, including the State Department of*  
11          *Agriculture, the Office of Community and Rural Affairs, the*  
12          *Office of Tourism Development, the Office of Defense*  
13          *Development, the Office of Business Entrepreneurship, and the*  
14          *Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority;*

15          *Whereas, Throughout her tenure, Lieutenant Governor*  
16          *Ellspermann has helped undertake several landmark initiatives,*  
17          *including serving as co-chair of the Blue Ribbon Panel on*  
18          *Transportation Infrastructure to identify the next generation of*  
19          *Indiana's major transportation projects; serving as Vice Chair*  
20          *of the Indiana Career Council, which is leading the*  
21          *transformation of the state's workforce development, education,*  
22          *and training initiatives; and convening a historic Rural*  
23          *Broadband Working Group with industry leaders and various*  
24          *state officials to identify and solve the issues that hinder the*



1     *expansion of broadband service in rural areas;*

2             *Whereas, Lieutenant Governor Ellspermann also notably*  
3     *led a trade mission to Japan, South Korea, and Taiwan in 2014,*  
4     *where she signed agreements promoting additional imports of*  
5     *Indiana corn, soybeans, and hardwoods;*

6             *Whereas, Lieutenant Governor Ellspermann previously*  
7     *served in the Indiana House of Representatives from 2011 to*  
8     *2012, representing District 74, where she served as Vice Chair*  
9     *of the House Committee on Employment, Labor and Pensions*  
10    *and as a member of the House Committees on Commerce,*  
11    *Small Business and Economic Development and Elections and*  
12    *Apportionment;*

13            *Whereas, Prior to her elected service, Lieutenant Governor*  
14    *Ellspermann had a distinguished business career in*  
15    *manufacturing at General Motors, Michelin, and Frito-Lay,*  
16    *before starting her own consulting firm and eventually*  
17    *becoming the founding director of the Center for Applied*  
18    *Research and Economic Development at the University of*  
19    *Southern Indiana;*

20            *Whereas, Lieutenant Governor Ellspermann is married to*  
21    *her loving husband Jim Mehling, with whom she has four*  
22    *daughters and three grandchildren; and*

23            *Whereas, It is fitting that the Indiana General Assembly*  
24    *honors Lieutenant Governor Ellspermann for her honorable*  
25    *service and contributions to the State of Indiana in her many*  
26    *roles and wishes her the best in her endeavors to come:*  
27    *Therefore,*

28            *Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly*  
29    *of the State of Indiana, the House of Representatives concurring:*

30            SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly expresses its  
31    sincere appreciation to Lieutenant Governor Ellspermann for her  
32    service to the State of Indiana.

33            SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed to  
34    transmit a copy of this Resolution to Lieutenant Governor Ellspermann.

